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SUMMARY: U.S. AND NORWEGIAN REPRESENTATIVES REVIEWED RESULTS
OF ON-GOING STUDIES EXAMINING THE POSSIBLE EFFECTS OF NEW
MILITARY TECHNOLOGY ON THE DEFENSE OF NORTH NORWAY. INTERIM
RESULTS POINTED TO MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS IN LAND AND AIR DEFENSES
THROUGH THE USE OF MID-TERM WEAPONS IMPROVEMENTS. THE
NEXT PHASE OF THESE STUDIES WILL FURTHER EXPAND NEW TECHNOLOGY
ANALYSED WITH RESPECT TO BOTH NORWEGIAN AND REINFORCEMENT
FORCES AS WELL AS PROBABLY SOVIET IMPROVEMENTS. END SUMMARY.

1. ON 7-9 JUNE, A DOD TEAM LED BY MGEN BOWMAN (DIRECTOR,
EUROPEAN AND NATO AFFAIRS, ISA) MET WITH A NORWEGIAN TEAM
LED BY HOLST (UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE FOR DEFENSE) WHICH
INDLUDED MGEN EIOS (COMLANDNOR) AND MGEN HAUGE (CH OF
STAFF FOR OPERATIONS).

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2. THE U.S. (VHILU, SPC) PRESENTED INTERIM RESULTS OF
AN ANALYSIS OF A REPRESENTATIVE LAND BATTLE SCENARIO
INVOLVING A SOVIET MOTORIZED RIFLE REGIMENT IN THE
ATTACK AGAINST A NORWEGIAN INFANTRY BATTALION. THE
ANALYSIS PRESENTED INCLUDED DETAILED STUDY OF
NORWEGIAN TERRIAN AND APPLICATION OF DIRECT FIRE AND
INDIRECT FIRE GROUND FORCE WEAPONS, INCLUDING

GUIDED ANTI-TANK WEAPON. IT WAS AGREED TO CONTINUE THIS STUDY USING VARIOUS MIXES OF ADDITIONAL GUIDED WEAPONS OPTIONS INCLUDING LIMITED NUMBERS OF TACTICAL AIR SUPPORT SORTIES AS WELL AS NIGHT AND BAD WEATHER SCENARIOS.

3. THE U.S. (MAJ WELDE, HQ USAF) PRESENTED AN ANALYSIS OF AN AIR DEFENSE BATTLE IN NORTH NORWAY BASED ON PREVIOUSLY AGREED ASSUMPTIONS, INCLUDING SEVERAL LEVELS OF SOVIET AND ALLIED AIR CAPABILITY. THIS EFFORT WILL NEXT EXAMINE ADDITIONAL FORCE MIXES AND THE EFFECT OF ELECTRONIC WARFARE OPTIONS ON BOTH SIDES.

4. NORWAY PROVIDED A STUDY OF PROBABLE SOVIET ACTIONS IN THE KOLA PENINSULA IN PREPARATION FOR AN ATTACK ON NORTH NORWAY AND A SECOND PAPER ON POSSIBLE SOVIET NAVAL ACTIVITIES. THE U.S. (LT COL BALDWIN, USMC, OP NAV 601) DESCRIBED THE RESULTS OF A U.S. STUDY OF NAVAL BATTLE IN THE NORWEGIAN SEA AND (LT COL MUNDY, HQ USMC) PRESENTED OPTIONS FOR REINFORCEMENT. STUDIES IN THIS AREA WILL CONTINUE BY BOTH NORWAY AND THE U.S. WITH EMPHASIS ON ACTION AGAINST POSSIBLE SOVIET AMPHIBIOUS ATTACK AND VARIOUS REINFORCEMENT ALTERNATIVES.

5. IT WAS AGREED THAT THE RESULTS OF THESE STUDIES
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SHOULD BE PROVIDED TO NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME, PERHAPS BY THE END OF THE YEAR.
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